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LABELING MULTI MATERIAL	)	
DATA	)	

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, this Information Disclosure Statement in connection with the above-identified application is being filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c).


The document identified on Form PTO/SB/08A was cited in an Office Action in a corresponding Japanese Patent Application. Regarding claims 1, 4 and 5 of the Japanese application, the Examiner stated that “when some simulation is done by dividing a target field to some cells, it is common that a plurality of IDs for materials are assigned to each cells (for example, see Fig. 4 of the Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 08-221386).” Accordingly, no further comment regarding the disclosure of this document is believed to be required. A copy of each non-U.S. document identified on the attached Form

PTO/SB/08A is attached, however, in accordance with Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited, and that the Examiner initial a copy of Form PTO/SB/08A, and return it to the undersigned to indicate that the documents have been considered.

The requisite fee of \$180.00 is attached herewith. It is believed that the present Information Disclosure Statement complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97-8, but the Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1281.

Respectfully submitted,  
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